

Judge Pechman

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) NO. CR05-0071P
Plaintiff,)
v.) ORDER CONTINUING TRIAL
KEITH D. GILBERT,)
Defendant.)

WHEREAS, defendant, KEITH D. GILBERT, is charged in this case with a number of firearms-related charges;

WHEREAS, GHASSAN HADDAD previously was charged as a co-defendant of Gilbert's;

WHEREAS, HADDAD filed motions to suppress evidence and to dismiss the charges against him;

WHEREAS, HADDAD moved for a continuance in order to litigate those motions, which were likely to be dispositive, and yet allow defense counsel adequate time to prepare for trial;

WHEREAS, this Court conducted a status conference at which counsel for the Government and Gilbert did not object to a continuance;

WHEREAS both GILBERT and HADDAD filed waivers of their rights to a speedy trial waiving that right through September 30, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the evidence in this case is voluminous, and includes more than a thousand pages of discovery, dozens of tape recordings of conversations, and hundreds of

1 items of evidence seized during the execution of search warrants; now, therefore

2 THE COURT FINDS that continuing the trial in this case is necessary in order to
3 allow defense counsel adequate time to investigate and effectively to prepare for trial;

4 THE COURT FURTHER FINDS, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A), that the
5 ends of justice served by continuing the trial in this case outweigh the interest of the public
6 and of the defendants in a more speedy trial.

7 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the trial in this case shall be continued until
8 September 5, 2006, and that the period of time from the previously-scheduled trial date of
9 March 20, 2006, up to and including September 5, 2006, shall be excludable time under 18
10 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A).

11 DONE this 7th day of April, 2006

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15 MARSHA J. PECHMAN
United States District Judge

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28 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on April 7, 2006, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the attorney(s) of record for the defendant(s). I hereby certify that I have served the attorney(s) of record for the defendant(s) that are non CM/ECF participants via telefax.

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